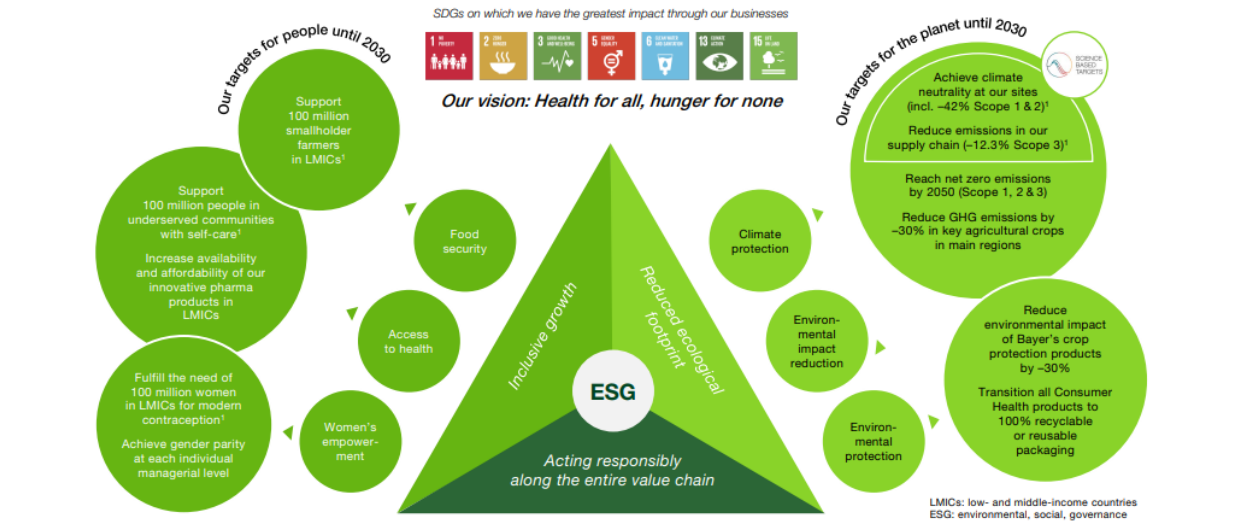


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Sustainability: Strategic Elements, Impacts and 2030 Targets



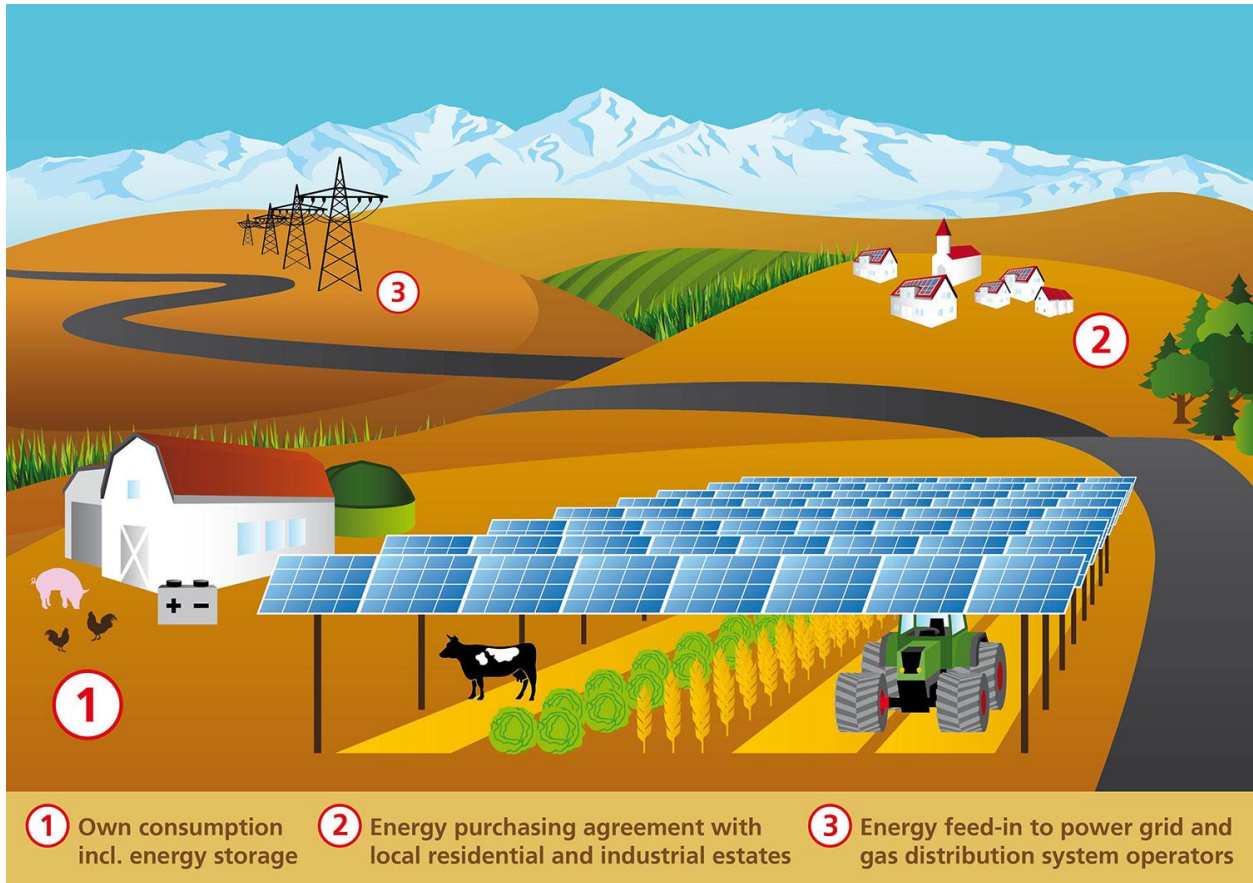
¹ These targets are accounted for in the long-term variable compensation (LTI) of our Board of Management and our LTI-entitled managerial employees.













[Integrating business](#) and [agriculture](#) refers to the process of incorporating business principles, practices, and strategies into agricultural operations. This integration aims to improve the

efficiency, profitability, and sustainability of agricultural businesses. It involves applying business concepts such as marketing, [finance](#), management, and entrepreneurship to agricultural activities.

There are several ways in which business and agriculture can be integrated:

[Market-oriented agriculture](#): This approach involves identifying consumer demands and preferences and aligning agricultural production accordingly. By conducting market research, [farmers](#) can determine which [crops or livestock products](#) are in high demand and adjust their production plans accordingly. This ensures that agricultural [products](#) are produced to meet market needs, increasing the chances of [profitability](#).

[Value chain management](#): [Integrating business](#) principles into agriculture involves managing the entire [value](#) chain, from production to distribution. This includes optimizing processes, reducing waste, and ensuring [high-quality](#) standards throughout the supply chain. By streamlining the value chain, [agricultural businesses](#) can increase efficiency, reduce costs, and deliver better products to [consumers](#).

[Financial management](#): Sound financial management is crucial for the success of any [business](#), including agricultural enterprises. Integrating business practices into agriculture involves developing strong financial management systems, including budgeting, cash flow management, and [investment](#) analysis. This enables farmers

to make informed decisions, manage risk effectively, and secure [financing for expansion or modernization](#).

Entrepreneurship and innovation: Encouraging entrepreneurship and [innovation](#) in agriculture can lead to the development of new products, services, and [business models](#). Integrating business principles helps farmers identify opportunities, create [value-added products](#), and diversify their revenue streams. This can include exploring agritourism, organic farming, direct marketing, or implementing [new technologies](#) to [improve productivity](#).

[Sustainable practices](#): Integrating business and agriculture also involves adopting sustainable practices that promote environmental stewardship and [resource efficiency](#). This includes implementing techniques such as precision agriculture, water [management](#) strategies, and soil conservation practices. By integrating sustainability into their [business models](#), farmers can enhance their environmental performance and meet the growing [demand](#) for sustainable and ethically produced food.

Overall, integrating business principles and strategies into agriculture can help [farmers and agribusinesses](#) operate more efficiently, [increase profitability](#), and contribute to a sustainable and resilient food system. By combining the best practices from both [fields](#), agricultural enterprises can [thrive](#) in an increasingly competitive and [dynamic market](#) environment.